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HOGSETT PRESENTS U.S. ATTORNEY'S AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO RIGHTS OF VICTIMS TO TAMATHA L. HASTY

PRESS RELEASE

INDIANAPOLIS - In celebration of National Crime Victims' Rights Week, Joseph H. Hogsett, United States Attorney, today recognized Tamatha L. Hasty, Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Hendricks County Prosecutor's Office, as a recipient of the United States Attorney's Carol S. Morris Award for Outstanding Contributions to the Rights of Victims.

This is a special award given annually by the United States Attorney's Office to honor individuals whose commitment and effort impacts the lives of crime victims in Indiana. It reflects the nation's heightened awareness of the devastating impact of crime and violence on its victims, while underscoring the importance of helping victims heal and rebuild their lives.

Tamatha Hasty makes a daily difference in peoples' lives. As the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Ms. Hasty spends a great deal of time guiding victims through the legal process. Her work with victims includes conducting interviews, lending a shoulder to cry on, and holding a hand in the courtroom. She has been described as passionate, dedicated, empathetic, calm and focused. Tamatha also writes grants throughout the year to ensure that the victims' assistance positions remain funded. While being completely devoted to her work, Ms. Hasty is also a mom, wife and family manager. She has four children and manages to balance the requirements of her family and job with great skill. As stated by Detective Alyson Ritter of the Plainfield Police Department, the impact she has on everyone around her makes the world a better place and the seemingly never ending fight to end abuse more bearable.

The U.S. Attorney's Award was established in the Southern District of Indiana in 1991 to recognize those persons who have made significant contributions in the lives of crime victims. The mission of National Crime Victim's Rights Week is to provide a time of nationwide

remembrance, reflection and re-commitment for crime victims, survivors and those who serve them in order to raise individual and public awareness about the rights and needs of victims.

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